The Board of Education of the Hitchcock County Schools met June 14, 2021 at 7:00 PM at the Hitchcock County Jr/Sr High School in Trenton. Present were board members Marks, Kolbet, Hagan, Scott, O’Byrne, and Rippen (7:04). Also present were Superintendent Sattler, Principal Tines, Assistant Principal/School Counselor McCarter, D, Bohochik, J. Rahrs, Ron & Vicki Bauer, and Peggy Fyn.

President Scott called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Notice of the board’s adherence to the Nebraska Open Meeting Law posted on the north wall of the meeting room was given. The meeting was properly advertised in the Hitchcock County News on June 10, 2021.

Moved by Kolbet; seconded by O’Byrne to approve the June 2021 regular meeting agenda as presented. Aye votes Hagan, Kolbet, Marks, Scott, and O’Byrne; nay votes none.

President Scott welcomed all visitors. Vicki Bauer addressed the board concerning the Nebraska State School Board and Nebraska Department of Education’s proposed health education standards and critical race theory. Mrs. Bauer asked to be put on the July regular board meeting agenda to present the board with a resolution against the standards. Superintendent Sattler informed the board and Mrs. Bauer that the school does not have to adopt the proposed heath education standards.

Moved by Hagan; seconded by Marks to approve the consent agenda as presented. Aye votes Hagan, Kolbet, Marks, Scott, O’Byrne, and Rippen; nay votes none. The consent agenda consisted for the following items: (1) Minutes of the May 2021 regular board meeting. (2) The Activity Fund. (3) The bill rosters with general fund bills totaling $388,227.06 and lunch fund bills totaling $11,391.55. (4) Other funds.

Superintendent Sattler presented the board with a letter of resignation from Cathy Barger. Moved by Kolbet; seconded by Rippen to accept the resignation of Cathy Barger at the end of the 2020-21 school year, with thanks and gratitude of years of service. Aye votes O’Byrne, Rippen, Hagan, Kolbet, Marks, and Scott; nay votes none.

The Hitchcock County Teachers Association met and approved a request to add Assistant AD to the extra-curricular pay schedule. Mr. Rahrs reported that the association approved the position at an assistant coach level. Moved by Rippen; seconded by Hagan to approve the amended 2021-2022 negotiated agreement with an addition to the extra-curricular pay schedule of Assistant Activities Director starting at the 0.065 assistant coach level. Aye votes O’Byrne, Rippen, Hagan, Kolbet, Marks, and Scott; nay votes none.

Superintendent Sattler presented the board with a bid of $72,200 from Fisher Tracks to apply a polyurethane coating to the track. Moved by Scott; seconded by O’Byrne to approve the proposal by Fisher Tracks for $72,200 to apply Structural Spray, a polyurethane coating to the track, to be paid out of the depreciation fund. Aye votes Kolbet, Marks, Scott, O’Byrne, and Hagan; nay vote Rippen. The motion passed 5 – 1.

The transportation committee met before the regular board meeting to review the districts transportation needs. The current coach bus has become cost ineffective for the district. The board directed Mr. Sattler to gather more information on a lease/purchase of a coach bus versus a straight purchase. The board will revisit this discussion item at the July board meeting.

Superintendent Sattler reviewed lawyer mandated district board policies with the board members. Moved by Hagan; seconded by Rippen to adopt the revisions to policies #2005 – Conflict of Interest; #3001 – Budget & Property Tax Request; #3003 – Bidding for Construction, Remodeling, Repair, or Site Improvement; #3003.1 – Bidding for Construction, Remodeling, Repair, or Related Projects Finances with Federal Fund; #3004.1 – Fiscal Management for Purchasing & Procurement Using Federal Dollars; #3042 – Construction Management at Risk Contracts; #3043 – Design-Build Contracts; #5061 – Audio & Video Recordings; and #6036 – Reading Instruction and Intervention Services, as presented. Aye votes Marks, Scott, O’Byrne, Rippen, Hagan, and Kolbet; nay votes none.

Moved by Kolbet; seconded by Hagan to move into executive session at 7:48 PM to discuss personnel needs for the 2021-2022 school year. Aye votes O’Byrne, Rippen, Hagan, Kolbet, Marks, and Scott; nay votes none.

Moved by Kolbet; seconded by Marks to move out of executive session at 8:07 PM. Aye votes Rippen, Hagan, Kolbet, Marks, Scott, and O’Byrne; nay votes none.

Assistant Principal McCarter’s report as follows: (1) May 5th – athletic physicals. (2) May 13th – graduation practice at the elementary. (3) May 15th – Graduation. (4) May 18th – PBiS celebration. (5) May 19th – last day of school for students. (6) June 30th – Cyber and Security zoom. (7) June 17th & 23rd – PBiS Training. (8) June 21st & 22nd – School Safety Training via Zoom. (9) Working on the schedule and five DL classes.

Principal Tines’ report as follows: (1) May 13th – graduation practice and awards night. (2) 2nd & 4th grade field trip to the Monument and Trenton Museum, 6th grade pizza part at the park, and 3rd grade end of year party at the park. (3) May 17th - Elementary Track Meet at the track in Trenton. (4) May 18th – Because of you Winner was Aloysius McCain; PBiS Pep Rally and movie in the gym; Pre-School BBQ. (5) May 19th – Work camp started working on repainting the outside top of gym. May 20th – All teachers reported for training on the new SAVVAS Reading curriculum. (6) June 7th – First day of elementary summer school. (7) June 7th – Attended a Zoom NDE Adviser work day. (8) June 16th & 22nd – PBiS Trainings. (9) June 21st & 22nd – School Safety training via Zoom. (10) June 24th – last day of summer school. (11) June 30th – last day of summer lunch program and Zoom Cyber & Security program.

Superintendent Sattler report as follows: (1) A handout on ESSER II ($212,000) & ESSER III ($477,964) monies and how they will be used. At least 20% of the ESSER III monies must be spent on learning loss recovery. (2) Mr. Sattler will be working on the 21-22 budget and would like to meet with the budget committee half an hour before the July regular board meeting.

President Scott adjourned the meeting at 8:31 PM. The next board meeting will be held July 12, 2021 at 7:00 PM. The agenda kept continuously current is available to the public for items of an emergency nature. The meeting is open to the public.

Craig Scott, President Casha O’Byrne, Secretary

General fund bills

20/20 Technologies – contracted services 3,164.00

Acco Brands USA – office supply 42.48

ACT – pre-ACT testing 234.00

Aflac – payroll deductions 419.21

Allied 100 – Defib pads 118.00

American Electric – building supply 376.60

American Family Ins Co – payroll deductions 2,118.47

Blick Art Materials – art supplies 1,002.34

Blue Cross Blue Shield – health insurance 52,640.21

Bosselman Energy – building & bus fuels 2,379.47

BrainPOP – web based software 3,250.00

Bright Solutions for Dyslexia – software 749.90

Cascade School Supplies – classroom supplies 131.45

Cash-Wa Distributing – custodial supply 91.14

Community First Bank – FICA/taxes 40,915.00

Community Hospital – bus driver physical 105.75

D&L Pest Control – pest control 120.00

D&S Hardware – grounds supply 73.25

Dans R Us – trash 165.25

Dell Marketing – computer hardware/laptops 8,288.55

Diamond Vogel – building supplies 422.51

Eakes Office Solutions – copiers/usage/custodial 4,672.93

eFile Cabinet – web based software 504.00

Egan Supply – classroom supply 18.84

Farmers Coop – bus/building fuels 5,343.93

Follett School Solutions – textbooks/library books 1,131.36

Great Plains Communications – phone bills/internet 785.12

Green Turf Lawn Care – contracted services 1,613.25

HCHS Petty Cash – reimbursements 700.13

HCS – reimbursement 2.73

HCS Flex Plan – contributions 1,350.42

Holiday Inn Kearney – law conference lodging 114.95

Hometown Leasing – copiers 391.38

Hot Lunch fund – payments 603.10

Ideal Laundry – custodial supplies 444.30

J Distributing – welding 90.00

K-Log, Inc – furniture 743.18

Legal Shield – payroll deductions 78.70

Lord’s Inc – service call 85.00

Medical Transport Solutions – payroll deductions 125.80

McCook Gazette – ads/subscription 287.26

MCI – long distance 50.64

Mead Lumber – building supply 283.71

Matrix Trust Company – annuities 4,246.00

NASSP/NASC – StuCo membership dues 95.00

NASB – Law Conference fee 155.00

NCS Retirement Acct – retirement 36,012.83

NE Child Support Payment Center – payroll deduction 516.00

NE Department of Revenue – state taxes 5,743.80

NewzBrain Education – website license 408.00

New York Life Ins Co – payroll deduction 53.33

O’Brien Electric – repairs 110.00

Optum – FSA fees 150.00

Paper101 – paper 2,707.44

Principal Life Ins Co – disability 929.72

Pyramid School Products – classroom supplies 458.35

Quill Corporation – tech supply 23.94

Rippen Oil – bus fuel/parts/labor 652.81

Savvas Learning – ELA materials 45,129.16

Scantron Corporation – support 150.00

Scholastic Inc – library books 133.50

School Nurse Supply – nurse supplies 560.01

School Specialty – classroom supply 253.44

Scoop Media – ads/printing 278.01

Southwest Farm & Auto Supply – bus supply 99.28

Southwest Public Power District – electric 1,798.82

Special Building fund – payroll deduction 220.00

Staples – office supply 6.80

The Art of Ed University – professional development 149.00

Michael Tines – bus license reimbursement 59.50

Titan Machinery – bus repairs 5,729.30

Trails West – bus fuel 1,010.88

UniFirst Corporation – custodial supply 114.76

Unitech – custodial equipment/supplies 4,274.00

Universal Service Admin – USAC reimbursement 4,608.00

U.S. Bank – credit card charges 697.70

Vanco – transaction fees 4.77

Village of Culbertson – water/sewage 280.40

Village of Trenton – utilities 3,205.55

Vision Service Plan – payroll deductions 396.13

Woodwind & Brasswind – music equipment 4,056.87

Payroll – net (gross - $191,852.46) 126,520.65

Lunch Fund bills

Aflac – payroll deduction 50.61

Bosselman Energy – kitchen supply 16.11

Cash-Wa Distributing – food/supply 1,473.70

Community First Bank – FICA/taxes 781.08

Culligan Water Conditioning – salt 57.81

DFA Dairy Brands – milk 909.11

Gary’s Super Foods – food 15.23

HCS – transfers to GF for student bills 144.00

Credit Management Services – payroll deduction 177.97

Ideal Laundry – kitchen supply 171.96

Shelley Kefalas – payment reimbursement 59.20

Valerie Mote – payment reimbursement 104.45

HCS Retirement Acct – retirement 962.51

NE Department of Revenue – state taxes 60.35

Misty Perkins – payment reimbursement 75.40

Rapids – kitchen supply 11.68

Warren Schaffert – payment reimbursement 157.70

Robin Schaffert – payment reimbursement 350.00

Tracy Sramek – payment reimbursement 57.70

U.S. Bank – credit card charges 111.31

US Foods – food/supply 1,813.88

Payroll – net ($5,000.04) 3,829.79